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1-904**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

First Named Applicant: Chakrabarti)

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Examiner: Nguyen)

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AM9-98-128)

For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DISTRIBUTED
AUTONOMOUS MAINTENANCE OF
BIDIRECTIONAL HYPERLINK METADATA ON
THE WEB AND SIMILAR HYPERMEDIA
REPOSITORY**)January 6, 2004
750 B STREET, Suite 3120
San Diego, CA 92101**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2003, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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